## **KYLEAP**



## Kentucky Law Enforcement Assistance Program Letter of Support

Police departments make a significant investment in selecting mentally and emotionally healthy individuals as part of their hiring process. Police Chiefs and Sheriffs can protect and enhance that investment by various methods aimed at promoting wellness. One effective strategy for stimulating a culture of psychological wellness within an agency is supporting the development and maintenance of the KYLEAP peer support program.

Purpose of the KYLEAP team is to provide critical incident stress management (CISM) services during the acute phase following a critical incident to prevent the destructive effects of emotional trauma, job related stress, and accelerate recovery from critical incidents before stress reactions negatively impact an officer's performance, career, health and family.

Responsibilities of KYLEAP team members:

- Support completion of approved officers training requirements:
  - IS-700 Introduction to NIMS
  - ICS-100 Introduction to ICS
  - KYLEAP Orientation
  - Assisting Individuals in Crisis
  - Group Crisis Intervention
  - Suicide intervention and prevention training
- Available to respond to requests for peer support services
- Participation in KYLEAP quarterly team meetings (can be done via internet)
- Participation in continuing education/training opportunities

| by signing the Letter of Support you are authorizing Officer/L | Deputy |
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| to fully participate in the KYLEAP team.                       |        |
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| Agency Head Signature  | Date   |